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RESUME OF REGISTRY DEEDS:

Deed dated 13 May 1969 to Evangel Assembly of God, Inc., Aberdeen, Md. by Harford Threstment Co. (Liber 814-105)

Deed dated 29 May 1967 granted to Harford Investment Co. by St. Faul Lutheren Church (Liber 743-Folio 577)

Deed dated 24 April 1943 from trustees of Grace Mathodist Church by the trustees to St. Faul Lutheran Evangelical Church (Liber 278-111).

Deed dated 29 July 1942, granted to trustees of Grace Methodist Church by Methodist Episcopal Church (Liber 275/244).

Deed dated 7 Feb 1894, title granted to Methodist Episcopal Church from Aberdeen Land Improvement Co. (Liber 80/61).

A second deed granted to Trustees of the Methodist Episco al Church dated 11 June 1929 recorded in Liber 213, Folio 11 from Crion C. Michael and wife to include buildings thereon "constituting church and parsonage properties". Buildings erected period 1894-1900.

Building is a simple examate of late 19th century Wothic Revival. Originally made of brick, the structure is now covered with slaing and the main building sits on a stone foundation. It is a simple public end structure with the ridge running N/S with a square tower in the N/E corner of the building.

The north facade is vented in the gable end, by five gothic stained glass windows in a sequence of one-three-one. The entrance is a side entrance into the tower. The double doors are topped by a stained glass window which forms the gothic arch. Above the door is an oculus with a stained glass quatrefoil in hues of green, yellow and brown. The belfrey openings of the tower have ornamental latticework across the openings and scroll brack its in the upper corners.

The east focade is the equivelent of five bays wide. There are two small cross gables with exposed rafters that interrupt the roof line. The section directly following the tower is vented by three stained glass gothic arch windows. The next section hosts a raised double door entrance. This is followed by a four bay addition. The south facade is an asbestos shingle addition on a concrete foundation, four to six bays wide with regular six over six sash fenestrations.

The west facade, of the main building, is without windows except for three narrow gothic stained glass windows in a three-sided alcove-like projection on the northward corner. (The addition to the rear has three plain sash windows.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Built in 1866, this little church has stood for many years as a place of worship for the town of Aberdeen. It has followed the growth of the Methodist Episcopal faith and then housed the Lutheran congregation. Architectually, it is a simple but very attractive early Gothic Revival structure.

The Evangel seembly of ood, originally Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is a simple example of late 19th century Gothic Revival. Originally made of brick, the structure is now covered with siding and the main building sits on a stone foundation. It is a simple gable-end structure with the ridge running N/S with a square tower in the N/E corner.

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